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WELCOME BACK!

General Assembly

September 2nd

5:30 PM

Amphitheatre

The last crazy minutes of preparation for another fall semester at Vanier have slowly become the initial push for a great marathon. Welcome back to another year of hard work as cegep teachers, and a special welcome to new teachers starting their careers at Vanier.

We face tentative agreements negotiated both at the Central and Sectoral tables. At the Central Table, changes to salary, pension rights and parental leaves have been negotiated, while the Sectoral table has been looking at issues like working conditions, job security, and work organization.

The Regroupement cegep, a body made up of representatives from all Fneeq cegep unions, has recommended acceptance of both of these agreements. Local unions, including the VCTA now need to consult with their members to accept or reject the agreements in principle. This is the reason we urge you to attend our **General Assembly** on September 2nd.

Before the General Assembly, you will be receiving information both from Fneeq and the VCTA on the contents of these tentative agreements. It is important that everyone read over this information so that we can make informed decisions about what we want our work lives to be for the next 5 years. Drop by the VCTA office to discuss the agreements or to ask any questions that you may have. And on August 26, the Association Council will be meeting to make recommendations to the General Assembly. As usual, all VCTA members are welcome to attend Council meetings, which are held in the Boardroom.

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Welcome Back BBQ

The Vanier Unions will hold their annual BBQ welcome back **happy hour** extravaganza! Refreshments, live music and great food will be served starting at 4:30 PM, next to the D annex. In case of rain, the event will be inside Jake's Mall.

New Teachers' Meeting

A meeting for new teachers will be held in the conference room F-216 Wednesday, September 8 at 12:30. We strongly urge new teachers to attend. There will be an opportunity to ask questions.

Insurance

This fall we will be voting on a number of possible changes to our group insurance plan for the January 2011 calendar year. In addition, we will consider switching from our current optional dental coverage to a mandatory plan with Fneeq. Stay tuned, more information on both of these issues will be sent to the membership soon.